

Words to Use Instead of Said

The word said is overused in writing. To give your writing more color, try using one of the following 188 words instead of the word said when you are quoting the words someone has spoken. There are many more words for said, but be sure you know the meaning of the form you are using!

accused	corrected	marveled	screamed
added	coughed	mimicked	shot
addressed	cried	moaned	shouted
admitted	croaked	mumbled	shrieked
advised	crowed	murmered	shrilled
agreed		mused	sighed
announced	dared	muttered	smiled
answered	decided		smirked
approved	declared	nagged	snapped
argued	demanded	nodded	snarled
asked	denied	noted	sneered
assured	described		sneezed
	doubted	objected	snickered
babbled	drawled	observed	sniffed
barked	echoed	offered	sniffled
bawled	ended	ordered	snorted
beamed	exclaimed		sobbed
began	explained	piped	spoke
begged		pleaded	sputtered
bellowed	finished	pondered	squeaked
bet	fretted	praised	stammered
bleated		prayed	started
blurted	gaspd	promised	stated
boasted	gibed	proposed	stormed
boomed	giggled	protested	stuttered
bragged	greeted	put in	suggested
broke in	groaned	puzzled	surmised
bubbled	growled		
bugged	grumbled	quavered	taunted
	guessed	queried	teased
called	gulped	questioned	tempted
cautioned	gurgled	quipped	tested
chatted		quoted	theorized
chattered	hinted		thought
cheered	hissed	ranted	told
chided	hypothesized	reasoned	
chimed in		reassured	urged
choked	imitated	recalled	
chortled	implied	reckoned	vowed
chorused	informed	remarked	
chuckled	inquired	remembered	wailed
clucked	insisted	reminded	warned
coaxed	interjected	repeated	went on
commanded	interrupted	replied	wept
commented		requested	whimpered
complained	jeered	responded	whined
concluded	jested	retorted	whispered
confessed	joked	roared	wondered
confided			worried
congratulated	laughed	sang	
continued	lied	sassed	yawned
convinced	lispd	scolded	yelled